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MEMORANDUM

March 23, 1978

TO:

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

FROM:

Robert F. Walsh, Director

SUBJECT:

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Hearing: 4/4/78

Z-4106

Manuel DePina

51-55 Adams Street, Roxbury near Dudley Street

Five-story masonry structure

District(s): apartment

residential

single family

local business L-1

general business

industrial

waterfront

manufacturing

Purpose:

to change occupancy from eight apartments and two stores to

eight apartments, store, and private club.

Violation(s):

Section

Required

Proposed

8-7. Private club is conditional in an L-1 district.

23-2. Off-street parking is not provided.

Club facility would conflict with residential occupancy and create curb parking demands unable to be accommodated on surrounding streets. Recommend denial.

> In reference to Petition No. Z-4106, brought by VOTED: Manuel DePina, 51-55 Adams Street, Roxbury, for a conditional use and a variance for a change of occupancy from eight apartments and two stores to eight apartments, store, and private club in a local business (L-1) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends denial. Club facility would conflict with residential occupancy and create curb parking demands unable to be accommodated on surrounding streets.



Hearing: 4/4/78

Z-4107-4108 Mabel Jacobs 57-59 Bovlston Street and

4 Dresden Street, Jamaica Plain

Two frame structures (3, 25 stories)

District(s): apartment

residential R-.8 single family

general business industrial local business waterfront

industrial_____waterfront_____manufacturing

Purpose:

to subdivide; to legalize occupancies - six apartments and

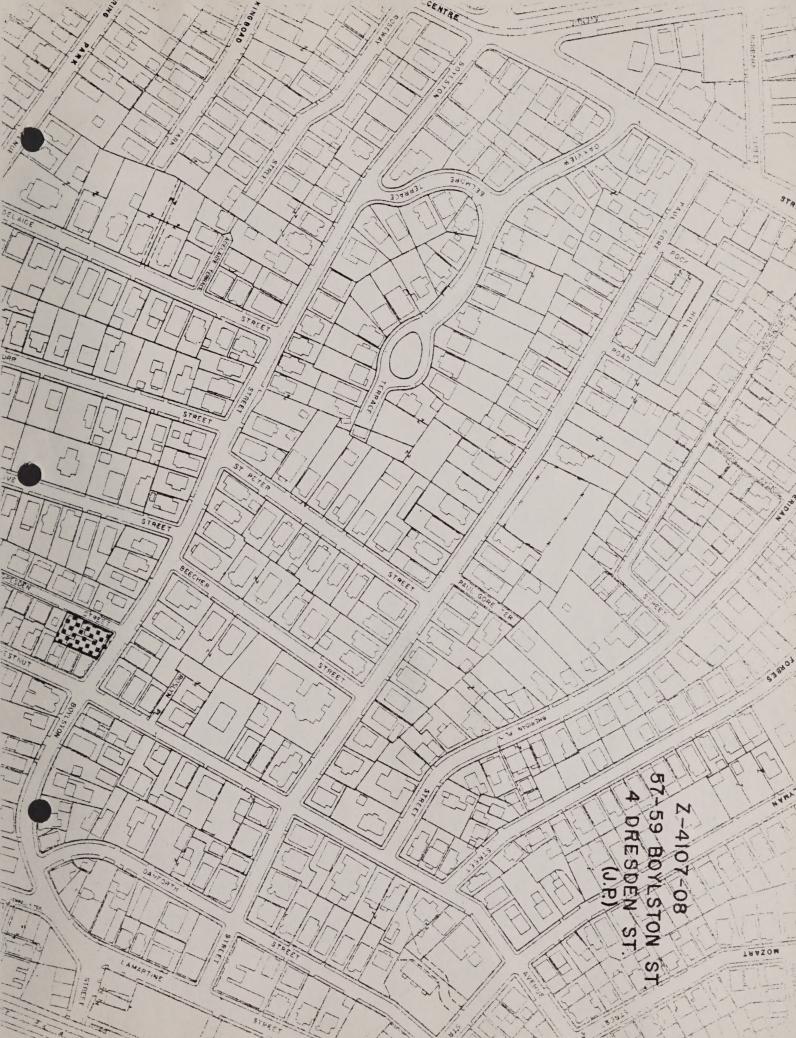
two-family dwelling.

Violation(s):

Section		Required		Propos	Proposed	
14-1.	Lot area is insufficient.	12,500 6,500		4,651 1,661		
14-3.	Lot width is insufficient.	50	ft.	30	ft.	
14-4.	Street frontage is insufficient.	50	ft.	30	ft.	
15-1.	Floor area ratio is excessive.		.8	1		
17-1.	Open space is insufficient.	800	sf	150	sf	
19-1.	Side yard is insufficient.	10	ft.	3	ft.	
20-1.	Rear yard is insufficient.	40	ft.	20	ft.	

Occupancies are existing and compatible with residential nature of neighborhood. Subdivision will enable elderly petitioner to sell properties separately. Violations are technical. Recommend approval.

VOTED: In reference to Petitions Nos. Z-4107-4108, brought by Mabel Jacobs, 57-59 Boylston and 4 Dresden Streets, Jamaica Plain, for thirteen variances to subdivide and legalize occupancies for six apartments and two-family dwelling in a residential (R-.8) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval. Occupancies are existing and compatible with residential nature of neighborhood. Subdivision will have no adverse impact.



Hearing: 4/4/78

7-4109

Blanchards Liquors, Inc.

2 Harris Avenue, Jamaica Plain

near Centre Street

One-story masonry structure

District(s):

apartment

local business_____

general business B-1 industrial

waterfront manufacturing

residential single family

Purpose: to continue existing occupancy: repair shop garage.

Violation(s): Section

Required

Proposed

8-7. Repair shop garage is conditional in a B-1 district.

In June 1974, petitioner was granted conditional use for three years (Authority concurred) with provisos relating to noise and hours of operation and prohibiting auto body work, exterior work, and exterior storage. Petitioner has not complied with the provisos. This failure together with lack of adequate storage facilities indicates that the site is inappropriate for continuation of the use. Neighborhood opposition to proposal is substantial. Recommend denial.

> VOTED: In reference to Petition No. Z-4109, brought by Blanchards Liquors, Inc., 2 Harris Avenue, Jamaica Plain, for a conditional use to continue existing occupancy for repair shop garage in a general business (B-1) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends denial. Petitioner has not complied with previous Board of Appeal provisos. This failure together with lack of adequate storage facilities indicates that the site is inappropriate for continuation of the use. Neighborhood opposition is substantial.



Hearing: 4/4/78

Z-4110-4111

Joseph A. and Isabel E. Grillo 140 Wordsworth Street and

137 Horace Street, East Boston

Two frame structures (2½ and 2 stories)

District(s):

apartment residential R-.5

general business industrial local business_____

waterfront

single family

manufacturing

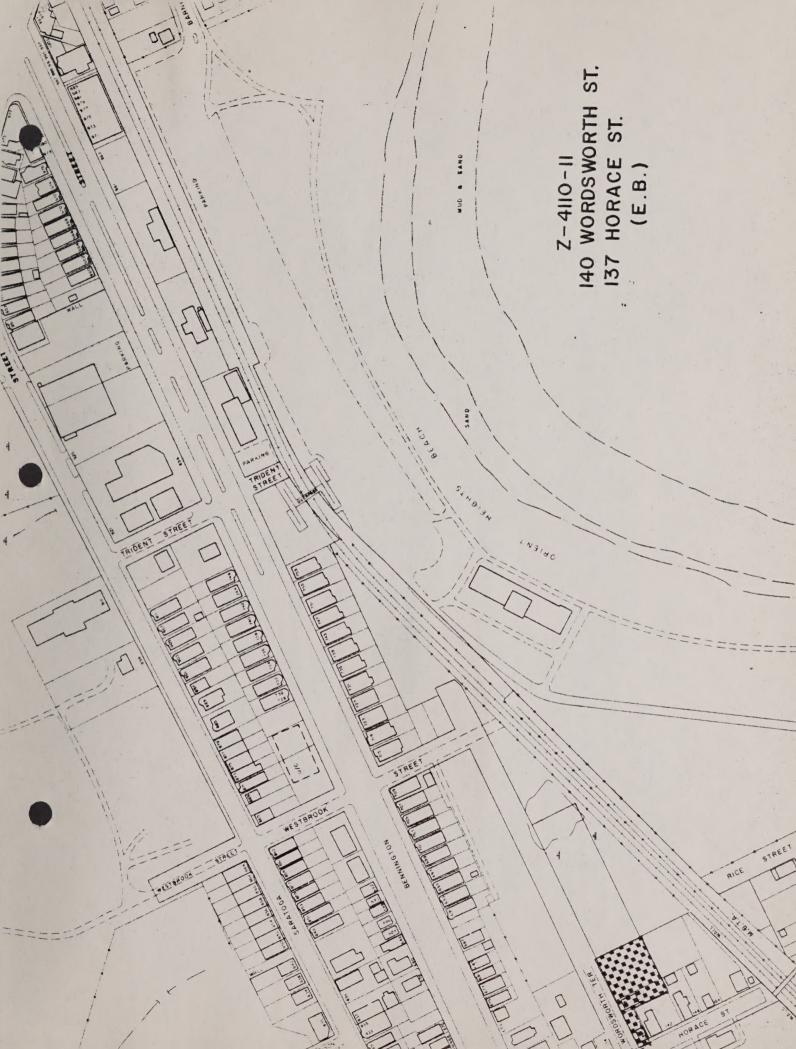
Purpose: to subdivide; to legalize occupancy - one-family dwelling.

Violation(s):

Section		Required		Proposed	
14-1.	Lot area is insufficient.	5,000	sf	1,875	sf
14-3.	Lot width is insufficient.	50	ft.	25	ft.
19-1.	Side yard is insufficient.	10	ft.	2	ft.
20-1.	Rear yard is insufficient.	40	ft.	25	ft.

Proposal will allow petitioner to convey single-family dwelling on Wordsworth Street, Violations are technical with no adverse impact. Recommend approval.

VOTED: In reference to Petitions Nos. Z-4110-4111, brought by Joseph A. and Isabel E. Grillo, 140 Wordsworth and 137 Horace Streets, East Boston, for four variances to subdivide and legalize occupancy for one-family dwelling in a residential (R-.5) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval. Technical violations will have no adverse impact on properties.



Hearing:

Z - 4117Edward J. Ruel 1542 Columbus Avenue, Roxbury near Ritchie Street

Three-story masonry structure

District(s):

apartment

residential single family general business____ local business

industrial

waterfront

manufacturing M-1

Purpose: to change occupancy from warehouse and garage to lodging house.

Violation(s): Section

Required

Proposed

8-7. A lodging house is forbidden in an M-1 district.

Lodging house for 20 persons (halfway house-prerelease convicts) is contrary to proposed Southwest Corridor Project land use plan. A regional trail (bicycle) would be located adjacent to this property. Recommend denial.

> In reference to Petition No. Z-4117, brought by Edward J. Ruel, 1542 Columbus Avenue, Roxbury, for a forbidden use for a change of occupancy from warehouse and garage to lodging house in a manufacturing (M-1) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends denial. Halfway house facility (prerelease convicts) is contrary to proposed Southwest Corridor Project land use plan. A regional trail (bicycle) would be located adjacent to

this property.



Hearing: 4/4/78

7 - 4123

Massachusetts Rehabilitation Hospital 125 Nashua Street, Boston

near Causeway Street

Ten-story masonry structure.

District(s): apartment

general business industrial I-2

residential single family local business

waterfront manufacturing

Purpose: to erect four-story office-laboratory addition and one-story

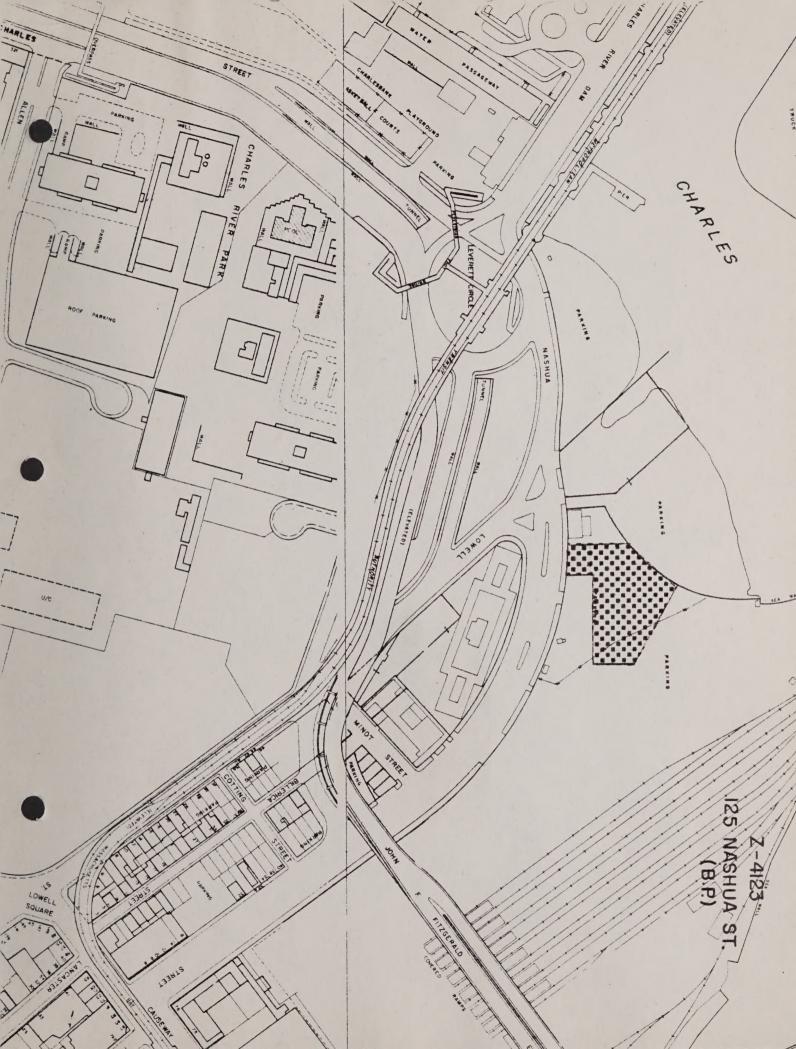
storage receiving area.

Violation(s):

Section		Required	Proposed
8-7.	Hospital is forbidden in an I-2 district.		
8-7.	Hospital accessory uses are forbidden in an I-2 district.		
20-6.	Rear yard is insufficient.	12 ft.	0
21-1.	Setback of parapet is insufficient.	20 ft.	0

Proposal would alleviate overcrowding of existing structure and facilitate medical services as requested by Massachusetts Department of Public Health and other hospital facilities. Rear expansion, abutting railroad right of way, would have no adverse impact on this industrial area. Recommend approval with proviso.

> In reference to Petition No. Z-4123, brought by VOTED: Massachusetts Rehabilitation Hospital, 125 Nashua Street, Boston, for two forbidden uses and two variances to erect a four-story office-laboratory addition and a one-story storage receiving area in an industrial (I-2) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval provided plans, including landscaping, are submitted to the Authority for design review.



Hearing: 4/4/78

Z-4125

VFW Post 2022

395 Faneuil Street, Brighton

at Bigelow Street

One-story frame structure

District(s): apar

apartment_ residential general business L-.5

industrial____waterfront

single family manufacturing

Purpose: to erect one-story private club structure.

Violation(s): Section		Required	Proposed
8-7.	Private club is conditional in an L5 dis	strict.	
15-1.	Floor area ratio is excessive.	.5	1.5
18-1.	Front yard is insufficient.	15 ft.	4 ft.
19-6.	Side yard is insufficient.	15 ft.	2 ft.
20-1.	Rear yard is insufficient.	20 ft.	2 ft.
23-2	Off-street parking not provided on site.		

Proposal, which would replace obsolete club facility, enjoys community support. Petitioner has negotiated lease agreement with MBTA for off-street parking directly opposite the site. Recommend approval.

VOTED: In reference to Petition No. Z-4125, brought by VFW Post 2022, 395 Faneuil Street, Brighton, for a conditional use and five variances to erect a one-story private club structure in a local business (L-.5) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval provided plans are submitted to the Authority for design review. Adequate off-street parking will be provided.

